Mixed Migration in East Africa and Yemen | 4Mi Survey Snapshot Phase 2 | October 2017

The Regional Mixed Migration Secretariat (RMMS) launched the Mixed Migration Monitoring Mechanism Initiative (4Mi) in 2014. This innovative tool aims to address the need for better data in a context where irregular movements are changing rapidly and where people and smugglers move in increasingly clandestine ways.

RMMS launched Phase 2 of the Mixed Migration Monitoring Mechanism Initiative (4Mi) in June 2017. This snapshot presents an overview of findings from June 2017 through September 2017.

Profiles Who is on the move?

	Snapshot		4Mi findings are based on 153 interviews with people on the move along common
	Number of interviews	153 migrants interviewed	migration routes from Horn of Africa. 47% were interviewed in common destination countries in Europe and South Africa, and 53% were interviewed in common transit countries (incl Egypt, Djibouti, and Kenya).
	Average age	29	
	Sex	Male 65 % Female 35%	76% of respondents reported that they are a registered refu- gee or asylum seek- er, indicating that the
	Countries of interviews	Egypt, Djibouti, Kenya, South Africa, Denmark, Norway, Sweden, and Germany	
			majority of people on Ethiopia
	Legal Status	76% of respondents re- ported to be a registered refugee or asylum seeker	the Horn of Africa may be entitled to legal protection un-
			der refugee law.

Drivers Why are people moving?

Migrants cite various and multiple factors in their decision to leave their country of origin.

- 57% of respondents cite a lack of rights in the country of origin
- 31% cite violence and/or general insecurity
- 29% said that economic factors also played a role
- 26% cite poor governance as a driver (mostly specifying police and government corruption in particular)



Sex and Nationality

63%

Journey What happens along the way?

Smugglers and the smuggling economy appear to play a major role in the routes migrants take, their means of travel, and stops they make along the way.

On average, migrants reported that 73% of the money they spent on their migration journey went directly to smugglers.

When asked how they chose their route, the most common response by migrants was that the route was chosen by their smuggler.

- 75% of respondents reported using a smuggler at some point during the journey.
- Of those who used a smuggler, 83% said that their smuggler misled them about either routes, costs, or safety conditions.



88% of respondents made stops (several days or weeks) while travelling to their destination. They most commonly stopped to find smugglers to organize the next stretch of their journey. Size of the red circle relates to the frequency of a given location.

Perpetrators of Abuses

17%

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28%

73%

Protection What risks do migrants face?

Human rights abuses for migrants in mixed migration flows are wide-spread and protections extremely limited.

- 20% of respondents reported witnessing deaths of other migrants along their route.
- 48% experienced physical or sexual abuse or witnessed it against migrants
- Nearly half of respondents (48%) reported that they did not receive any assistance during their Border/Immigration Officials journey.
- Interestingly, of those who did receive assistance, 52% said assis-

tance was provided by smugglers themselves, pointing to the dual role of smugglers as both abusers and protectors.

Unknown Individuals

Criminal gangs

Police/Military

Smugglers

* For survey questions that allow respondents to select more than one response, percentages represent the response chosen in relation to the number of respondents, rather than a proportion between responses







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